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PATENT
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0055/057001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiroaki MATSUMURA Art Unit: 2828
Application No.: 10/720,759 Examiner: Harvey, M.
Filed : November 25, 2003
Title : RIDGE WAVEGUIDE SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DIODE

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2005, applicant hereby submits the enclosed papers including a Request for Reconsideration.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for one (1) month to January 23, 2006, for filing a response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$120.00 for an extension of one month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims	<u>20</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent	<u>3</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
One Month's Extension of Time Fee						<u>\$120.00</u>
TOTAL FEE DUE:						<u>\$120.00</u>

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO THE CREDIT CARD NUMBER LISTED ON THE ATTACHED CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038 FORM), REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0055/057001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 19, 2006


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